The Great Depression and the New Deal

Use the word bank to finish the crossword puzzle and complete the sentences below. Learn all about Alabama during the Great Depression and New Deal eras.

If you get stuck on the crossword puzzle, the sentences will provide helpful hints!

**Word Bank**

**ACROSS**
- Depression
- Roosevelt
- Modernization
- Clothes

**DOWN**
- Unemployment
- New Deal
- Jobs
- Electricity

**Crossword Puzzle**

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